



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Narumi KOGA et al. Group Art Unit: 2853

Application No.: 10/642,206 Examiner: M. Brooke

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For: WATER BASE INK FOR INK-JET RECORDING

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the June 2, 2004 Office Action, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

On page 2 of the Office Action, claims 1-5 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-3 and 6 of U.S. Patent No. 6,648,463 to Koga et al. (hereinafter "Koga") in view of Saito, U.S. Patent No. 5,281,262. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Filed herewith is a terminal disclaimer which removes U.S. Patent No. 6,648,463, the parent to the instant application, as a reference against the instant application. Thus, it is respectfully requested that the rejection be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-5 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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